

REMARKS

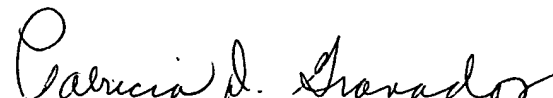
Claims 1-21 are pending in this application. Applicants herewith elect, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-17, drawn to an amplification method.

Applicants herewith withdraw the non-elected claims. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to non-elected subject matter. With the entry of this amendment, claims 1-17 will be active in this case. Applicants respectfully request examination of the instant application on the merits in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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